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H.B. No. 3644

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the collection of soil monitoring samples from land application units where sewage sludge or domestic septage is applied.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 361, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 361.1215 to read as follows:

Sec. 361.1215. SOIL MONITORING SAMPLE COLLECTION FOR LAND APPLICATION OF SEWAGE SLUDGE OR DOMESTIC SEPTAGE. (a) In this section:

(1) "Domestic septage" means liquid or solid material removed from a septic tank, cesspool, portable toilet, marine sanitation device, or similar treatment works that receives only domestic sewage. The term does not include:

(A) liquid or solid material removed from a septic tank, cesspool, or similar treatment works that receives commercial wastewater or industrial wastewater; or

(B) grease removed from a grease trap.

(2) "Land application unit" has the meaning assigned by Section 361.121(a).

(b) Soil monitoring samples required by the commission for a land application unit at which sewage sludge or domestic septage is applied must be collected by a commission inspector.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.